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from acetone, methyl isobutyl ketone and cyclohexanone are used.

7. A process as claimed in claim 1 [any of claims 1 to 6], wherein hydrocarbons are used as solvents.

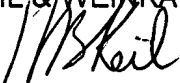
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8. A process as claimed in claim 1 [any of claims 1 to 7], wherein the potassium alkoxides used are potassium butoxides.

REMARKS

The claims were amended in the preliminary examination. The claims have been amended further to eliminate multiple dependency and to put them in better form for U.S. filing. No new matter is included. A clean copy of the claims is attached. Favorable action is solicited.

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